Board of Supervisors Room 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members of the Board:

On May 18, during a Board hearing on the 2004-05 County budget, Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich asked our Department to find alternatives to closing the Castaic Animal Shelter, which serves the Santa Clarita Valley area of Los Angeles County.

I am pleased to inform your Board that, as the result of successful negotiations between the County and State, previous proposed funding reductions, which could have led to closure of the shelter, have been resolved. Therefore, we no longer expect to have to close the Castaic Shelter and have removed that option from our budget documentation.

Sincerely,

Marcia Mayeda Director

c: David Janssen, Chief Administrative Officer Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer